March 9, 2007, Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

Second ‘Half-Semester’ Courses Begin the Week of March 19

These short-term classes offer students full credit in just nine weeks and an opportunity for some to get back to full-time status.

Second “Half-Semester” courses are set to get underway in a little more than a week. These classes, which offer full credit in just nine weeks of instruction, are an excellent opportunity for some students to get back to full-time status.

Being a full-time student provides students a number of benefits, including increased opportunities for financial assistance and discounts on auto insurance. More importantly, it helps them complete their studies more quickly.

Information about “Half-Semester” courses is available in a number of locations on campus and is included in the @Cypress “Extras” section.

The classes are also featured in the upcoming edition of the Cypress College Podcast, which is scheduled to be released this week.

PAC Report: A Summary of Decisions from the March 1, 2007, Meeting

Following is a summary report of decisions made at the President’s Advisory Cabinet meeting held on March 1, 2007.

1. PAC approved two recommendations from the Planning and Budget Committee for special funding. Campus Safety will be allocated funds to purchase new furniture for their new permanent location in CE3. EOP&S will receive funding to replace laptop computers and other items that were stolen from their area.

2. A new membership composition for the Matriculation Committee was approved: Matriculation Manager (Chair); Registrar; Dean of Counseling and Student Development; Dean of Language Arts; Dean of Science/Engineering/Math; 1 Faculty Member from Reading, ESL, and Math (total of 3 faculty); 1 Counselor; 1 Classified Staff Member; 1 Associated Students Representative; 1 Research Representative.

3. A proposal for hiring 7 new classified positions was reviewed. It will be discussed by the constituent groups and then a decision will be made at a future PAC meeting.

4. It was agreed to move forward on a hiring process to replace Tony Jones in the Automotive Collision Repair Program. Tony has submitted a retirement request effective the end of this semester.

5. Marc Posner discussed the district-sponsored Community Awareness Project and asked for PAC members’ assistance in getting participants to attend upcoming focus groups.

KinderCaminata Committee Seeks Volunteers

To facilitate another successful KinderCaminata, the planning committee is looking for faculty, staff and students to participate in the event. The event will be held on Friday, March 30. Participation is available in a number of areas. For more information, call Becky Rojas, Student Activities at ext. 47199.

Dr. Lewis’ Retirement Reception Set

Save the date for Dr. Lewis’ retirement reception, which will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2007, from 1-3 p.m. If you are interested in contributing toward a leadership development fund in her name, contributions can be sent to the Foundation Office, with a reference to the MLLDF on the check or a note.
BRIEFLY

A new version of the campus map is now available. Dated March 5, 2007, it reflects the move of Campus Safety to the Holder Building and indicates the current state of piazza renovation. There is also a change on the reverse side to correct the hours of operation in the Library/Learning Resource Center.

The map can be viewed online and a printable version can be downloaded from that page.

For planning purposes, the next revision will be made some time next month when the current piazza renovation wraps up and moves into the final phase (adjacent to the main Gym 2 entrance on the piazza).

The Admissions and Records Office will close at 4 p.m. today (Friday, March 9), for a monthly staff meeting.

The program to sponsor a bench on campus is still ongoing, with a lot of space available for benches to be placed for students and staff. To purchase a bench (like those in front of the L/LRC) with a plaque, the total cost is $709. Please contact Barbara Woolner, in the office of the Vice President of Educational Support and Planning, for more information.

CHARGERS

Dick McKnight, a faculty member in the CIS Department has a compelling story of distance education in action. McKnight recently shared that one of the students enrolled in his online CIS 111 Computer Information Systems course is currently serving in Iraq.

McKnight, himself a former Army officer, says, “This is truly distance education and such a wonderful opportunity for us to serve a student who is serving our country in Iraq.”

He met with the student, who was home on leave, in the middle of February and is working with the soldier’s non-commissioned or commissioned officers on the proctoring of exams.

“I know we all wish for his safe return,” McKnight said.

Sophomore Karla Andree, an outside hitter, will play on a volleyball scholarship at the University of South Carolina Upstate, a Division I team, next season. She finished the 2006 season with 360 digs, 26 aces, and 169 kills. Chargers’ teammates Katie Fitzpatrick and Sheena Lewis, both sophomores, were named to the Orange Empire Conference Second Team, while sophomore Emily Lugo was named an honorable mention.

Strategic Conversation #8 Set for April 10; RSVP by March 19

All members of the campus community are invited to participate with the North Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees in Strategic Conversation #8: “Every Which Way.”

The annual event will begin with a social hour and refreshments at 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 10. It will take place at the Knott’s Berry Farm Resort & Hotel, located at 8038 Beach Blvd., in Buena Park.

RSVP to Alba Topete via e-mail or at ext. 84831 by March 19.

Strategic Conversation #8 provides opportunities to discuss what’s important to you with members of the Board.

The evening will be divided into two parts, Table Talk and Open Microphone, which will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

During Table Talk, participants will choose from one of four topics suggested in a recent District-wide survey:

- Technology — A repeat of a previous Strategic Conversation topic that continues to change dramatically.
- District Strengths & New Directions — The District’s greatest strengths and areas needing new attention as we begin work on a new District-wide Strategic Plan.
- Strategic Plan Expectations — Expectations for implementation of the new District-wide Strategic Plan and its eight goals, adopted June 2006.
-Miscellaneous — A little bit of a lot of things that you individually bring to the table.

During Open Microphone, three illustrious campus representatives will lead a large-group session in which participants can share what is especially important to them. The moderators are: Pat Ganer, Cypress College; Joe Carrithers, Fullerton College; and Dean Day, School of Continuing Education.

Cypress College Featured on KOCE’s ‘Real Orange’ Newscast

Cypress College was featured on PBS affiliate KOCE’s “Real Orange” newscast on Monday, March 5, as part of a segment exploring the upcoming retirement of Dr. Lewis.

During the interview, hosts Ed Arnold and Ann Pulice discussed the college with Dr. Lewis. The segment kicked off with a discussion of the college and our mission. At the end, Dr. Lewis highlighted the outstanding faculty. In between she had the opportunity to discuss the campus’ focus on serving students.

One highlight came when Pulice asked about Cypress College’s Mortuary Science program, one of only two in California. Arnold also remarked that without community colleges, he wouldn’t have a college degree.

Blueprint

A report on Cypress College’s Construction Projects

After months of work underground, things are about to begin moving up in the Student Center construction zone. The building will begin taking shape over these next few months. Beginning on Monday, truckloads of steel will begin being delivered and erected.

The steel will be brought in from both the Valley View and Holder sides of the campus. Trucks coming in off Holder will travel around the L/LRC and over the road that divides the pond.

With that knowledge, please pay attention — and encourage students to do the same — to the construction area as you are walking around the pond. There will be flagmen for safety reasons, but we can never be too safe.

Please advise Nancy Byrnes of any unsafe conditions during this time.

For nearly a half-million students, Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. Come to Cypress College and Go Places!
The Division of Student Support Services hosted the first ever “Student Support Services Success Week” during the week of February 26-March 1, 2007. The primary goal of this event was to increase visibility and access to student support service programs on campus.

The event served over 1,500 Cypress College students during the week. In addition to our presence in front of the LLRC, a series of workshops and seminars were offered. Specialized topics included “Financial Aid 101, EOP/S Information Sessions, Time Management, Stress Management, How to Find Childcare, How to Search and Apply for Scholarships, Learning Styles, Study Skills, and Finding Hidden Resources.” Approximately 80 students attended these workshops that were conducted by student services staff members. Additionally, the Financial Aid Office was bustling as students completed their FAFSA’s prior to the March 2 priority deadline.

Student Support Services Success Week was specifically designed to assist with retention efforts on campus. The Associated Students partnered up for our event and several Council members graciously volunteered their time to help support this event.

(Photograph Left): What a team! The CalWORKS and CARE staff members, Kimberly Overton, Connie Boehler, Kelly Grimes (CARE Coordinator), Gail Smead, and Lili Perez generated approximately 20 new contacts as a result of this event. The CalWORKS and CARE team also generated many hugs from the current students they serve, thanking them for their commitment to their success.

(Photograph Center): Michele Dugan (EOP/S) brought a smile to the faces of Cypress College students with her charisma and charm. The entire EOP/S staff was fired up throughout the event speaking with students and directing them to workshops and appropriate services.

(Photograph Right): Financial Aid staff members Roselle Teneza and Cheryl Lucero teamed up to emphasize the importance of completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the March 2 state priority deadline. The entire financial aid staff was visible throughout the week working with students to ensure that they receive priority financial aid packaging as they look ahead to the 2007-2008 academic year.
Save the date…

Retirement Reception for
Margie Lewis

Please plan to join us for a reception in Margie’s honor. Invitations to follow.

If you are interested in contributing toward a leadership development fund in Margie’s name, you can send your contribution to the Foundation Office, and reference MLLDF on the memo line or attach a note.
You are invited to join the North Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees for Strategic Conversation #8: “Every Which Way,” beginning with a social hour and refreshments at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at the Knott’s Berry Farm Resort & Hotel, 8038 Beach Blvd., Buena Park.

Opportunities to Discuss What’s Important to You
The evening will be divided into two parts from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.: Table Talk and Open Microphone

During **Table Talk**, you will choose from one of four topics you suggested in a recent District-wide survey:
1. Miscellaneous – A little bit of a lot of things that you individually bring to the table.
2. Technology – A repeat of a previous Strategic Conversation topic that continues to change dramatically.
3. District Strengths & New Directions – The District’s greatest strengths and areas needing new attention as we begin work on a new District-wide Strategic Plan.

During **Open Microphone**, three illustrious campus representatives will lead us all in a large-group session in which we can share what is especially important to us:
- Pat Ganer, Cypress College
- Joe Carrithers, Fullerton College
- Dean Day, School of Continuing Education

---

**RSVP by March 19, 2007**

Please RSVP to District Public Affairs by March 19, 2007, with the following . . .

Your Name:
Your District/Campus Location:
Your Table Talk Topic Selection (Check One):
- ☐ 1. Miscellaneous
- ☐ 2. Technology
- ☐ 3. District Strengths & New Directions
- ☐ 4. Strategic Plan Expectations

*Respond via this form or with information outlined in this form to:*
  *Alba Topete, Public Affairs, at atopete@nocccd.edu*
  *or Anaheim Campus-Ninth Floor*
SUCCESS WORKSHOP SERIES
March 2007

Study Skills
Presented By: Doreen Villasenor
Date: Wednesday, March 7, 2007
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Place: Business Building~~ B-319

Overcoming Procrastination
Presented By: Daniel Pelletier
Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2007
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Place: Business Building~~ B-317

Importance of Choosing a College Major
Presented By: Jean England
Date: Tuesday, March 20
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Place: Business Building~~ B-306

Math Success
Presented By: Elizabeth Hamman
Date: Friday, March 23, 2007
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Place: L/LRC ~~ Room 130

Workshops are open to EVERYONE. Free of Charge.
For further Information please contact the Career Planning Center in the Humanities Building, Room 312
(714) 484-7120, www.CypressCollege.edu
KinderCaminata 2007
11th Annual Event
Volunteer Sign-up

February 6, 2006

Dear Colleague:

In order to have another successful KinderCaminata, it is important for faculty, staff and students to participate. The KinderCaminata Committee would welcome your involvement in any of the following activities. Thank you for volunteering your valuable time.

Please keep this section as a reminder.

Activities for Friday March 30, 2007

- Decorations and Set-up 7:00 am – 8:30 am
- Bus Greeters 8:00 am – 9:30 am
- Career Station Attendants 8:30 am – 11:30 am
- Water Station 8:30 am – 11:30 am
- Lunch Assistants 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

To sign up to volunteer, please complete and return the bottom portion of this to Becky Rojas, Student Activities Office by March 7, 2007. If you have any questions, Becky may be reached at Ext. 47199.

Hope you can join us!

-----------------------------------------------------Return this portion--------------------------------

KinderCaminata 2007 Volunteer sign-up sheet

Name_____________________________Dept.___________________Ext.___________
Student I.D. Number_________________ Email Address_________________________

Activities for Friday, March 30, 2007: (Please check your preference)

_____Decorations and Set-up 7:00 am – 8:30 am
_____Bus Greeters 8:00 am – 9:30 am
_____Career Station Attendants 8:30 am – 11:30 am
_____Water Station Attendants 8:30 am – 11:30 am
_____Lunch Assistants 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

For your convenience, there will be two separate orientation sessions for volunteers. Please select one of the following:

_ Monday, March 12th 2:00 pm
_ Thursday, March 15, 11:00 am

Sessions will be held at Student Activities Conference Room, Student Activity Center Please return to Becky Rojas, Student Activities Office by March 7, 2007

All volunteers must fill out this form and attend an orientation session in order volunteer for this event.
CYPRESS COLLEGE MULTICULTURAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2006-2007

SEPTEMBER
Hispanic Heritage Celebration
Library Brochure in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month

OCTOBER
Disabilities Awareness Month
Library Brochure in recognition of Disabilities Awareness
Muslim Awareness Month
Library Brochure in recognition of Muslim Awareness
“Disability Jeopardy” – October 18, at 2 p.m. in the Fine Arts Staff Conference Room
Brian Wetzel Presents: “Side By Side” A Journey with Depression – October 17, (10 AM-12 PM) and
October 18, (1 PM-3 PM) in the Cypress College Theater
Disabilities Event – October 24 & 25 by LLRC from 9 AM – 2:30 PM

NOVEMBER
Library Brochure in recognition of Native American Heritage Month
International Education Week (11/13-11/17)
International Films – November 14, 15 & 16 (beginning at 2 PM) in H-131

DECEMBER & JANUARY
Kwanzaa Awareness Speaker & Potluck – December 6, from 3PM – 5PM in Culinary Arts
Mr. Kohei & Mr. Inoue Taiko Drum Duo – December 4

FEBRUARY
Black History Month
Library Brochure in recognition of Black History Month
Opening Day – February 1 from 9 AM – 3 PM in the Theater (See Below)
Historical Black College Fair from 9 AM – 11 AM
Step Show from 12PM – 1PM
So. Cal. Historical Facts Slideshow from 1 PM – 2PM
Speaker, Dr. Jerome Hunter and Panel Discussion from 2PM-3PM
Ali Movie – February 9 from 4PM-6:30PM in H-131
Speaker, May May Ali – February 9 from 7PM – 9PM in H-131
Gospel Concert – February 23 from 7PM – 9PM in FA304

MARCH
Women’s Recognition Month
Library Brochure for Women’s Recognition Month
Women’s Day of Expression – March 13 from 2:30 – 5:30 PM in the Theater Lobby
Kindercaminata – March 30

APRIL
Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Awareness Month
Library Brochure in recognition of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Awareness
Celebrating Diversity Forum & Speaker Dr. Terrance Roberts – April 16 from 2-3:30PM in H-131
World Fest – April 25 in front of LLRC from 11AM – 2PM

MAY
Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month
Library Brochure in recognition of Asian Pacific Islander Heritage

For more information contact: Gina Marrocco – (714) 484-7049 or gmarrocco@CypressCollege.edu
Black College Fair and Black History Month Celebration
Thursday ~ February 1, 2007
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Student Support Services Success Week
Monday ~ February 26 through Thursday ~ March 1
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Senior Day
Thursday ~ March 22, 2007
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Kindercaminata
Friday ~ March 30, 2007
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Parent Night
Tuesday ~ April 24, 2007
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Latino Family College Night
Thursday ~ May 10, 2007
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information regarding these events and/or participation, please contact Marion Shocklee at (714) 484-7371. More Information, including locations and agendas, will be available soon.
College is Great! ... But, you don’t want to be here forever, right?

Enroll in a “Half-Semester” class — **beginning the week of March 19** — and earn full credit by the end of the semester. “Half-Semester” classes are a great way to get back up to full-time status (read: Financial Aid and EOPS eligibility and insurance).

Click on to CypressCollege.edu and sign up today for that class you’ve been meaning to take or the one you’ve been unable to get into.

```plaintext
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CRN</th>
<th>SEC</th>
<th>DATES</th>
<th>TIME</th>
<th>INSTRUCTOR</th>
<th>ROOM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>22422</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/22</td>
<td>5:00P-6:50P</td>
<td>Muise, M.</td>
<td>BUS-317</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23589</td>
<td>HY1</td>
<td>3/20-5/22</td>
<td>6:00P-8:50P</td>
<td>Vu, P.</td>
<td>SEM-308</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23426</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/9-3/16</td>
<td>9:30A-12:20P</td>
<td>Reiland, K.</td>
<td>TE1-200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23852</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/19-3/26</td>
<td>9:30A-12:20P</td>
<td>Reiland, K.</td>
<td>TE1-200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23996</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/3</td>
<td>1:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>Fu, A.</td>
<td>TE1-218</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23996</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/3</td>
<td>1:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>Fu, A.</td>
<td>TE1-218</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22942</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/24</td>
<td>2:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>O'Hara, E.</td>
<td>TE1-301</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23996</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/3</td>
<td>1:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>Muise, M.</td>
<td>TE1-301</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23426</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/24</td>
<td>2:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>O'Hara, E.</td>
<td>TE1-301</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23996</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/3</td>
<td>1:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>Muise, M.</td>
<td>TE1-301</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23996</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3/20-5/3</td>
<td>1:00P-4:50P</td>
<td>Muise, M.</td>
<td>TE1-301</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

Please view the “Open Classes” pages at CypressCollege.edu for changes and updates.

Extreme Campus Makeover in Progress

March 5, 2007

Note:
Elevator access is available on the south side of campus through Tech Ed III (located under the main staircase) and adjacent to Tech Ed II.

For updated information, visit the campus Web site at http://CypressCollege.edu.

Buildings
AC  Anaheim Campus
BUS  9  Business
CCC  6  Cypress College Complex
CE  Continuing Education
CCCE-3 30  Holder Building
FA  2  Fine Arts
G1  7  Gymnasium 1
G2  11  Gymnasium 2
HUM  1  Humanities (Language Arts and Social Science)
H  H-131 & H-136
(Humanities lecture halls)
L/LRC  32  Library/Learning Resource Center
M&O  34  Maintenance & Operations
SAC  8  Student Activities
SEM  3  Science/Engineering/Math
TA  4  Theater Arts
TE1  10  Technical Education 1
TE2  12  Technical Education 2
TE3  13  Technical Education 3/Health Science

Service Locations
Administration.........................G2
Admissions & Records .......... BUS
Assessment ............................ BUS
Bookstore (*) ...........................G2
Bursar.................................... BUS
Campus Safety (**)........ CCCE-3
Counseling Center................ CCC
DSPS...................................... CCC
EOPS..................................... CCC
Financial Aid......................... CCC
Food Services............... HUM, TE3
Health Center....................... G2
International Students......... SAC
Locker Rooms ....................... TE2
Photo ID............................... SAC

See reverse for ground-level closures.

Construction Area (closed)
Open Pathway

S=Stairs  E=Elevator
E=Emergency Phone  Q=WiFi Internet
P=Parking Permit Vending Machine
F}  Temporary parking areas
G}  as needed for overflow.
Extreme Campus Makeover in Progress
March 5, 2007

The college’s new Library/Learning Resource Center, the large building at the end of the pond, is now open! Services in the building are open Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., and Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The L/LRC is also open on Saturday, from 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

The new Student Activities Center is located along the south side of the pond. These two buildings, along with the new Student Center (shown below), will make the pond the central gathering spot on campus.

In addition, a Maintenance and Operations building is now open north of Lot 7, a complete renovation of the piazza is nearing completion, and new elevators are being installed.

During the next year or so, construction work will present a challenge to pedestrian travel across campus. We appreciate your support and flexibility during this period as we build a more efficient campus.

For additional and updated information, please visit CypressCollege.edu and click on the construction icon.
Dr. Lewis appeared on KOCE-TV's "Real Orange" newscast, where she discussed Cypress College and her upcoming retirement. The show aired on Monday, March 5, 2007.

Video clips are available (see options at the left).
The 2007 Americana Awards were held on Saturday, February 24, 2007 (yes, that means @Cypress is a bit late with the photographic evidence) in the Grand Ballroom at the Disneyland Hotel. As reported previously in @Cypress, the Cypress College Foundation event attracted about 600 people and raised approximately $120,000 — the second-best results in Americana history.